

ATTACHMENT A
Remarks

Claims 1-15 are pending in the present application. By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1-10 and added new claims 11-15. Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance based on the discussion which follows.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for allegedly not meeting the requirements of U.S. practice. By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1-9, as well as claim 10, to be in a more conventional U.S. claim form, thereby obviating the rejection to the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Further, by this Amendment, Applicant has added new claims 11-15, corresponding to subject matter previously recited in the original claims. Accordingly, claims 11-15 do not constitute new matter.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance.

END REMARKS